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Your 1771, HICOG Courts.

Understand you now propose immediate close-out of jurisdiction over new civil cases; that HICOG courts would continue to deal with civil cases already brought, with criminal cases against HICOG personnel, and with cases involving other personnel taken on security or prestige basis; and that criminal cases of any civilians and dependents will be tried by courts-martial. Germans will be authorized assume criminal jurisdiction of offenses by Germans under paragraphs A, B, and D of Article 1, Law 35; also cases under E on case by case basis unless security or prestige involved; cases under C will not be tried.

Further understand new non-criminal cases of character now being tried by HICOG courts will be handled as stated paragraph 2(c) your 1695.

Department approves foregoing measures.

Believe appropriate steps should be taken to assure no last-minute flood of cases in HICOG courts. Understand from David Ginsburg that several additional cases against Farben awaiting decision jurisdictional point in Wachsmann case (despatch 1389). Would assume desirable prevent HICOG courts being burdened these additional lengthy trials. Suggest you may wish provide that proposed law take effect immediately upon announcement

Request Department be kept advised your plans.

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